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Subject: RE: Dan: Can you look at this "add" that Mat Martinson suggested I put in my response to OPB tomorrow morning? Does it look ok to you?

Sorry, Mark. I see I missed your time slot on this. You were getting good advice from Mat.

From: MacIntyre, Mark <MacIntyre.Mark@epa.gov>
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Subject: Dan: Can you look at this "add" that Mat Martinson suggested I put in my response to OPB tomorrow morning? Does it look ok to you?

Emily: Thank you for the good discussion this afternoon.....Please contact me if more questions arise. Also: based on today's conversation and just to be clear, The Safe Drinking Water Act's rules and requirements are not suspended or waived as a result of a boil-water notice. MM

Q: What technical and financial assistance is being provided by EPA in the past 60 days?

- EPA issued SDWA Orders and jointly organized a "funding summit" to coordinate federal funding from various agencies.
- As part of the SDWA orders, EPA is speaking weekly with the tribal utilities staff and monthly site visits with tribal leadership to improve communication and coordinate priority actions under the order.
- Separately, the Indian Health Service has also provided on-site training and technical assistance, linked with an interagency agreement from EPA.
- The June "funding summit" has also resulted in a HUD "imminent threat" grant to assist with immediate needs (line breaks) associated with the current boil water notice. A second meeting of federal agencies is planned for August, and subcommittees have formed to assist the tribe in identifying federal funding opportunities and planning for longer term infrastructure needs that will improve the reliability of the drinking water treatment and distribution system.
- Distribution system construction expected to be completed by contractors in early August, confirmation sampling into EPA mid-August and potentially boil water notice can be lifted by mid to late August. Alternate water and boil water notice will remain in place until then. Warm Springs will be using HUD grants to recoup their costs for this work.
- Warm Springs utilities have been focused on stabilizing the distribution system. Accordingly, they have yet to meet certain SDWA requirements including additional planning to maintain an alternate water

supply and other technical and contracting processes. Tribe has taken steps towards advancing this work.

- Soon after system stabilization, Warm Springs will need to focus on what's called the "120-day engineering assessment." Warm Springs has funding for this assessment, and EPA understands it will be performed by PDG, same firm that did the distribution system stabilization work.
- EPA will be on site again for the monthly Tribal Council briefing on August 12. At that point, EPA will also do a walk through to see status of distribution system work and review progress under the orders generally.
- EPA understands Next funders meeting is planned for mid-August.

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